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KOWLOON POINT.

IMPROVEMENT PLAN HANGS FIRE.

CONSIDERED TOO COSTLY.

Of considerable interest to Kowloon residents is the announcement, made as the result of an enquiry by a *Telegraph* representative this morning, that the Government is not likely to sanction during 1927 any work in connexion with the improvement of the appearance of, or the traffic arrangements at, Kowloon Point.

Although a sum of \$50,000 was allowed in the 1927 Estimates, and it was stated that this sum would enable shelters for private cars, cycles and rickshaws to be built in accordance with the proposed amended lay-out of the area, together with that portion of the Railway colonade connecting the Ferry Pier with the Public Pier, thus permitting buses and rickshaws to arrive and depart under shelter, the allowance will not be utilised, it was stated.

Plans Being Prepared.

It is, however, understood that plans are being prepared for a complete alteration of the present lay-out of the area, especially with a view to improving the existing traffic conditions at this busy terminus. It is probable that a beginning will be made in 1928, and that the entire scheme will be completed in 1930.

In connexion with the traffic arrangements at Kowloon Point, it will be recalled that an excellent scheme was submitted for the Government's approval by the Kowloon Residents' Association. It has been suggested that the scheme was rejected by the Government, as being too costly, but we were informed this morning, that many of its chief features will be embodied in the Government plans.

The Government Scheme.

Among the improvements under consideration by the Government is the alteration of the facade of the Star Ferry to bring it more in harmony with the Railway Building. H.E. the Governor having commented adversely on the heterogeneous appearance of the area from the Harbour. It is also proposed to extend the Station colonade to the entrance to the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's premises. "The trouble in these times," said a Government official this morning, "is to find where the money is coming from. The scheme in its entirety is an extremely expensive one, and that is the chief reason for the fact that it is lying more or less 'doggo'."

POPULAR AMERICAN WEDDING.

FASHIONABLE LONDON EVENT.

London, July 7.

The public was so interested in the marriage of Miss Matilda Houghton, daughter of the American Ambassador, to Mr. Chandler P. Anderson, the only son of Mr. C. P. Anderson, of Washington, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, that special control by the police was necessary.

Most of the American colony in London attended the ceremony, and the unusually distinguished congregation included diplomats from every country, Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin, Sir Austen and Lady Chamberlain, and numerous other British politicians and their wives.

The church was decorated with Easter lilies and blue hydrangeas, with ropes of laurel. There were ten bridesmaids and twelve groomsmen, of whom nine had travelled from America, and three were from the U.S. Embassy. Canon Carnegie officiated, assisted by Bishop Brent.

A reception was subsequently held at the American Embassy, and the couple left on a motor honeymoon trip to Scotland.

Mr. Anderson first met his bride in Scotland last year, and he later became Mr. Houghton's secretary in London. He is now in a banking business in New York.—Reuter.

CHINESE STUDENTS DEPORTED.

PHILIPPINES HAS NO USE FOR THEM.

RETURN TO HONGKONG.

Manila, July 2.—Luis Magat and Adolfo de Castro, two Chinese students, were deported yesterday afternoon on the liner President Jefferson, for Hongkong, on the strong suspicion of the authorities that the two were Communist agents. The legal grounds for their deportation were that they had no passports.

On board the Jefferson before the steamer sailed, the two talked for an hour with a *Bulletin* representative.

Magat said: "I was born in Hongkong, and am now about 34. I have not been to other foreign countries, although I speak Spanish. I do not speak English. I have no profession and I do not work. I have little money. I came to the Philippines for the purpose of spending a little vacation, and intended to return to my native land after three months. I have not studied and I am not educated. I do not know any Filipinos in Hongkong. This is the first time I came to the islands. I paid my passage on the President Jefferson, but I do not care to show any papers or documents regarding myself."

The most noticeable thing about Magat was the fluency with which he spoke the Spanish language. De Castro claimed to have been born in the Philippines, and said that his mother was a Filipino.

THE C.N.C. STRIKE.

GUILD MEETING TO-MORROW.

There is nothing further to report in the strike situation, no agreement having been made by either side. All officers have now left their ships.

Two more C.N.C. vessels are being moved out to Kowloon Bay this afternoon, these being the Kiangsu and Kwangtung. There will then be 10 vessels of the fleet in company, the others being the Kingyuan, Suiyang, Liang-chow, Szechuan, Kuang, Tean, Fatshan and Kueichow. All these are manned by members of the shore staff of the Company.

It is understood that a meeting of the Guilds will be held tomorrow, at which certain questions in connexion with the strike will be discussed.

SPEED-BOAT NEXT?

DASH ACROSS ATLANTIC.

London, June 19.—Ettore Bugatti, the racing motor designer, is constructing a super-motorboat, according to the Paris correspondent of the *Daily Mirror*, with which he shortly will attempt to travel from Brest to New York in 48 hours.

Shaped like a submarine, and with eight petrol engines of a new type generating a total of 2,400 horsepower, the boat, which is 120 feet long and 7 ft. wide, can attain a maximum speed of 87 miles an hour.

If the sea is calm, it can be navigated from the bridge; otherwise it will be sealed up like a submarine, and steered by the aid of a periscope. It will carry a crew of eight.

STUFFED IBEXES.

ROYAL GIFT TO BRITAIN.

London, July 7.—King Alfonso of Spain, in the presence of King George, to-day presented to the natural History Museum at South Kensington, a splendid group of three stuffed ibexes, mounted in picturesque surroundings, representing a scene in the Pyrenees.—*British Wireless*.

PASSING RICH.

CHURCH LIVINGS TO BE INCREASED.

London, July 7.—The Ecclesiastical Commissioners propose increasing £200 livings to £300 a year, and £300 to £350, in order to give the recipients a living wage.—Reuter.

AVIATOR KILLED.

SAD MISHAP AT A FAREWELL.

MUCH AVIATION ACTIVITY.

Honolulu, July 7.—The farewell celebrations to Lieutenant Mainland and Hegenberger, the Pacific fliers, who are sailing for San Francisco, had a gloomy termination.

An aeroplane, piloted by Flight Lieutenant Williams, which was circling overhead, nose-dived into the sea, Williams being drowned.

Reuters' American Service.

NEW ALTITUDE RECORD.

Made With U.S. Seaplane.

Washington, July 7.—Lieutenant C. C. Champion, of the U.S. Navy, is credited by the National Aeronautic Association with a new world's altitude record for seaplanes, namely 37,995 feet, compared with the recent 36,470 feet record made by the French naval Lieutenant De Moutet.—Reuters' American Service.

Lieutenant Carleton C. Champion, of the U.S. Navy, created a world's record on May 5, reaching 33,455 feet. This was beaten by the Frenchman; and now Champion has "regained" the honour.

ENGLAND TO NEW YORK.

Britisher to Make Non-Stop Flight.

London, July 7.—Captain Mackintosh, an Imperial Airways pilot states that he has completed arrangements for an attempt to fly non-stop from England to New York, within the next few weeks.—*British Wireless*.

NEW BOMBING PLANE.

Startling American Design.

New York, July 7.—It is stated by the War Department that they are constructing a military two-engined aeroplane of 950 horse power, Fokker design, to carry five machine-guns and 3,000 pounds of high explosives, with which to bomb both land and sea forces.—Reuters' American Service.

Accordind to a Japanese official message from Tsingtao, two infantry battalions and two machine-gun companies are scheduled to leave Tsingtao this morning for Tsinan, while other forces are proceeding to intermediate points on the railway.—Reuter.

CHAMBERLIN TO VISIT ENGLAND.

To Fly Over From Paris.

London, July 7.—Clarence Chamberlin, the American aviator who recently flew the Atlantic, is expected to arrive in England by air from Paris to-morrow.—*British Wireless*.

BYRD ENTERTAINED IN FRANCE.

Visit to England Unlikely.

Paris, July 7.—The chances of Commander Byrd and his companions visiting England are faint.

They propose to sail on the Leviathan on Tuesday, after spending the week-end at Dunkirk and Le Touquet.

They have been given a reception by the Chamber of Deputies, had luncheon at the Ministry of Commerce, and attended a reception at the Hotel Ville.—Reuter.

HAUL OF ARMS.

REVOLT NIPPED IN THE BUD.

New York, July 7.—Government agents here believe they have nipped in the bud a South American revolution, by discovering 350 rifles and 100,000 rounds of ammunition, on a steamer tied up in the East River.

The rifles and ammunition were hidden in bales labelled "hardware and cotton batting," addressed to Tumaco, Colombia.—Reuters' American Service.

SAVES DROWNING GIRL.

New York, July 7.—While posing for a cinema film on the beach at Santa Monica, Gertrude Ederle, the channel swimmer, heard cries for help from the shore.

She plunged into the sea and rescued a drowning girl swimmer.—Reuters' American Service.

He Decides.

Rome, July 8.—Dr. Chu has now announced that he has joined the Southern Nationalist party, and consequently at the next League Council, Dr. Chu, is in a quandary.

He has applied for leave of absence to the Peking Government; but has had no reply, so has resigned.

He recently issued a statement of the Cantonese Nationalist Government's attitude towards the Naval Conference.

It is expected that in a few days he will make a statement explaining his personal position towards the Peking Government.—Reuter.

THE ATTEMPT ON MUSSOLINI.

ANOTHER LONG PRISON TERM.

Rome, July 8.—A special tribunal has sentenced to eight years' imprisonment Ettore Zanuttini, former director of the Banca Cividale, who was charged with complicity in Zamboni's attempt to kill Mussolini.

He was accused of giving 10,000 lire to abet the attempt, aiding its execution, and being present at Monte Croce, where the details of the plot were organised.—Reuter.

THE CASTLE PEAK MURDER.

DEFENDANT IS SENT FOR TRIAL.

DEFENCE PLEADS SUICIDE.

The Chinese who is charged with the murder of a woman at Castle Peak was committed for trial by Mr. R. E. Lindsell in the Central Magistracy, this morning, when Mr. Gordon Leask, who is defending, said he would refuse his defence.

Referring to the theory of suicide which is the defence, and which was stated at previous hearings, Mr. Lindsell said he had decided that there was sufficient evidence inconsistent with the suicide theory to call upon the defence to make out their case.

He added that he understood Mr. Leask proposed to call the defendant to give evidence.

Mr. Leask said he had intimated so at a previous hearing, and he asked for permission to withdraw that intimation, saying he had disclosed his defence.

His Worship: You have disclosed it in argument only.

Mr. Leask: And in cross-examination.

Mr. Lindsell said he thought he had better make a note of the fact.

Two Battalions for Tsinan.

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Yesterday, business was resumed by the Sincere Company as usual.—*Nam Chung Pao*.

SHOP-WORKERS RETURN.

Sincere Co. Resumes.

Canton, July 8.—

The strike of the Sincere Company employees was settled yesterday afternoon, when the Labour Department notified the Sincere Employees' Labour Club

that the Company had agreed to comply with the demands of the workers.

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STORMS AT HOME.

SOUTH OF ENGLAND SWEEP.

London, July 7.—Severe rain storms swept Southern England and Northern France last night and heavy falls were general throughout the country.

The storm was accompanied by lightning and thunder in many places. During brilliant flashes at Folkestone, the French coast was visible across the Straits of Dover.

The heaviest rainfall was recorded at Clacton-on-sea, in Essex, where, in thirteen hours nearly three inches were registered—nearly half as much rain as usually falls during the whole of July. Dover recorded 2.81 inches, which is the heaviest experienced for many years.

The roads in many places became impassable owing to floods, and fields were submerged.—*British Wireless*.

DR. CHU'S DILEMMA.

Now Joins Nationalists.

Geneva, July 7.—The Chinese Minister to Rome, who is also the Chinese representative on the League Council, Dr. Chu, is in a quandary.

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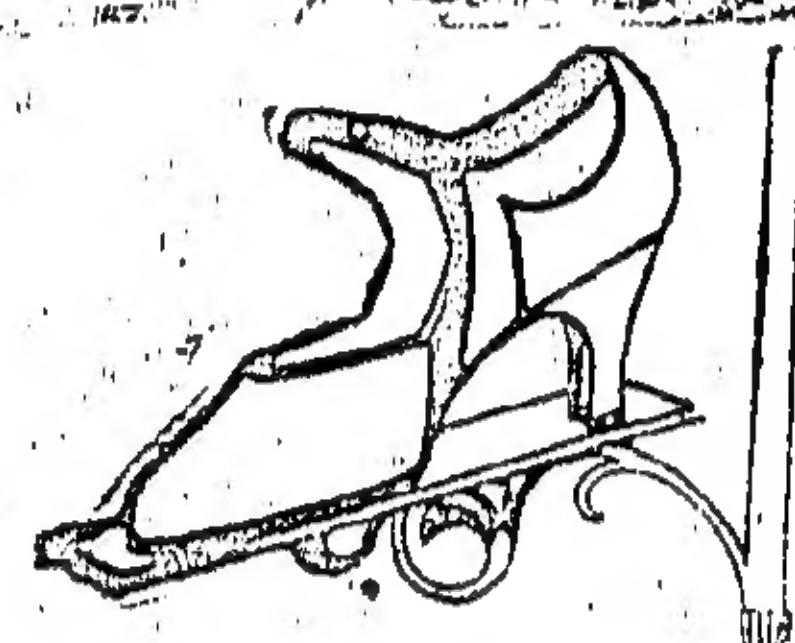
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ILLEGAL STRIKES.

LOCAL BILL PASSED.

The Bill known as the Illegal Strikes and Lockouts Ordinance, 1927, passed its remaining stages at a meeting of the Legislative Council yesterday afternoon and became law. Strong support for the Bill was voiced by the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, the Chinese representative, and the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, the representative of the Justices of the Peace, the former stressing the point that it was designed to protect the community as a whole and was in no way a repressive measure.

His Excellency the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.), presided over the meeting, which was held in the Council Chamber, and there were also present:

The Acting Officer Commanding the Troops (Colonel Sergison Brook).

Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn (Colonial Secretary).

Hon. Sir J. H. Kemp (Attorney General).

Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer, O.B.E. (Colonial Treasurer).

Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E. (Secretary for Chinese Affairs).

Hon. Mr. H. T. Jackman (Acting Director of Public Works).

Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Capt. Supt. of Police).

Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow.

Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall.

Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard.

Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes.

Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

Hon. Mr. W. Hamilton, Clerk of Councils.

Amendments.

In proposing the second reading of an Ordinance to declare and amend the law relating to illegal strikes and lock-outs, to amend the law relating to intimidation and to breaches of contract of service in certain special cases, to promote the independence of trade unions established within the Colony, and for purposes connected with the aforesaid purposes, the Attorney General said: In introducing this Bill at the last meeting of the Council, I referred to certain amendments which it was proposed to move in Committee. Since last Thursday it has been decided to propose three further amendments, in addition to those which I mentioned at the last meeting. Two of these have been circulated to hon. members, but the third does not appear on that paper. The two proposed amendments which appear on the sheet circulated to hon. members are proposed to be made to clause 6. The first is in sub-clause 1 of clause 6, where it is proposed in the third line to delete the words "a contract of service with" for "an agreement for under." That clause will then read: "No person who is employed in the service of the Crown shall wilfully break an agreement for service under, etc." That amendment was made in order to make the terminology of the clause agree with the terminology of other clauses of the Bill. It also draws a distinction between the terms of service under the Crown. The service under the Crown differs, of course, on account of its conditions, from service under any other employer, the great distinction being that, speaking generally, in every agreement for service under the Crown there is an implied condition that the Crown is at liberty to dispense with the services of its servants at any time.

A New Sub-Section.

The second amendment proposed to be moved to clause 6 is the addition of a new sub-section 2, which will read as follows:

"For the purpose of sub-section (1), and without prejudice to the interpretation of any express term of the agreement other than a term relating to notice, person who is employed in the service of the Crown shall be deemed to break his agreement for service under the Crown if he absents himself from duty without leave and without having given to the head of his department one month's notice in writing terminating with

the last day of a calendar month, or if he wilfully refuses duty, or if he wilfully omits to perform his duty; provided that the provisions of this sub-section relating to notice shall not apply to any person who is engaged by the day or who is paid daily."

The effect of that is that in the circumstances contemplated in sub-section 1, of clause 6, no Government servant is allowed to leave his duty without giving one month's notice terminating on the day of the calendar month; except in cases of servants who are otherwise engaged by the day or paid daily. There are consequential amendments to sub-sections 2 and 3 as 3 and 4.

The third amendment which it has been decided to propose since the last meeting is an amendment to the proposed new clause 11. The original draft of that clause was as follows: "No prosecution for any offence under section 3, 7 or 8 shall be commenced without the sanction of the Attorney General." It is now proposed to move in Committee that no prosecution under sections 3, 6, 7 or 8 shall be commenced without the sanction of the Attorney General. That will include offences under section 6 also within the terms of the section. I beg to move the second reading.

The Colonial Secretary seconded.

Sir Shou-son Chow supported the Bill in a lengthy speech, reported in yesterday's *Telegraph*.

Preservation of Peace.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton also supported. He said the proposed Ordinance was designed to contribute to the peace and good order of the Colony.

It was one of the principal duties of the Justices of the Peace of the Colony to seek to assist in the preservation of good order and peace, and it was therefore his duty, as the representative of that body, to rise in support of the proposed legislation.

It was essential for him to point out that Hongkong was peculiarly situated on the borders of China, and in the heat of the political moment was particularly sensitive to political emotions. It was essential that this Colony should control its own house; it was equally essential that there should be no interference from without.

The main section of the Ordinance was section 3, which stated that any strike or lock-out was illegal if it was designed or calculated to coerce the Government.

As to whether the strikes of 1922 and 1925 were illegal, no particular good could be obtained from a criticism as to whether they would come within this Ordinance, but it was particularly desired that there should be a statutory declaration as to what an illegal strike was. The principal objects and merits of the proposed Ordinance were in sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11.

Section 3 was the section which dealt with illegal strikes and lock-outs. It was declaratory of the law as it existed to-day. It had been held at Home in the Courts that strikes such as were indicated in section 3, were, in fact, illegal, quite irrespective of this section. No one could possibly deny that any interference with the policy of the Government would be a serious matter.

Protection of the Individual.

Section 4 was a section dealing with the protection of the individual. It was designed with the object of assisting any inhabitant of this Colony who wished to observe the law, that was to say, who wished to observe the declaration that a strike or lock-out was or was not illegal. He described the section as the right of the individual to carry on his vocation according to his own wishes.

Section 5 dealt with intimidation. The section did not in any way affect what was known as peaceful picketing, but it set out very clearly and very emphatically what would not be allowed. This again was declaratory of the law as it existed to-day, but it was extremely useful that it should be placed on the Statute Book so that all might know it. He regarded that section as the right of the

individual to the exercise of his own discretion.

Section 6 dealt with branches of contract. It was specially there to stop lightning strikes in essential services. This section he described as a section for the protection of the public.

Section 7 gave to the Government the right to regulate its own affairs without interference from outside, and he would describe it in a few words as a section dealing with the independence of the Colony.

Section 8 was a section which prohibited the use of political funds outside the Colony. It was, if he might suggest, a section passed to preserve their neutrality and their desire that the inhabitants should not unduly interfere with politics outside the Colony.

Frivolous Prosecutions.

Section 11 provided against frivolous prosecutions and ensured that the law would be properly administered. It was essential that they should have a section of this nature because it assured that legal strikes would not be interfered with nor legal lock-outs. In other words, the section provided that there should be no prosecution without good cause.

In conclusion, the Hon. Mr. Shenton pointed out that the Ordinance placed no restrictions whatever upon genuine trade disputes or upon common law rights. It merely provided that a lawful object should be carried out by lawful means. He had great pleasure in supporting the Ordinance.

The second reading having been carried, the Council went into Committee, where the Attorney General moved the amendments referred to in his speeches on the first and second readings, and these were approved and incorporated.

The Bill then passed its third reading and became law.

The Council adjourned sine die.

OBITUARY.

POPULAR MEMBER OF
TAIKOO STAFF.

News has been received in the Colony confirming the passing away of another stalwart in the popular game of Lawn Bowls, in the person of Mr. Robert Perrie who, until quite recently, was a member of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery Staff. The late Mr. Perrie was one of the original players when this game succeeded the Taikoo Athletic Sports, an event of many years standing.

The deceased joined the Refinery Staff for the second time about twenty years ago, during which period he never left the Colony. He continued to enjoy good health until early this year, when he was admitted to hospital with a minor chest complaint. Symptoms of a more serious nature became manifest and on medical advice he very reluctantly surrendered his employment and returned home. It appears he was on a visit to a married daughter in Ireland when he contracted a severe chill and, returning to Greenock, passed away on June 1, leaving another daughter and son, an engineer on the China coast, to mourn their sad loss.

As a member of the Refinery Staff of the Taikoo Club, and of the community of Quarry Bay, the late Mr. Perrie was held in highest esteem. Gentle, affable and obliging, "Bob" was ever ready to serve a good turn and tender sympathy and advice. As an adept with the cue for several years he held the club billiards championship and carried off the Swire Cup.

The deceased was yet in the early sixties and his love of sport would have provided for him an interest for many years to come. It is with deepest regret that his passing is recorded and that he was not spared to enjoy in his leisure, those interests which so absorbingly provided his recreation in the normal intervals of his work.

In recent years Mr. Perrie made frequent visits to Macao, and many week-end trippers will miss his familiar personality.

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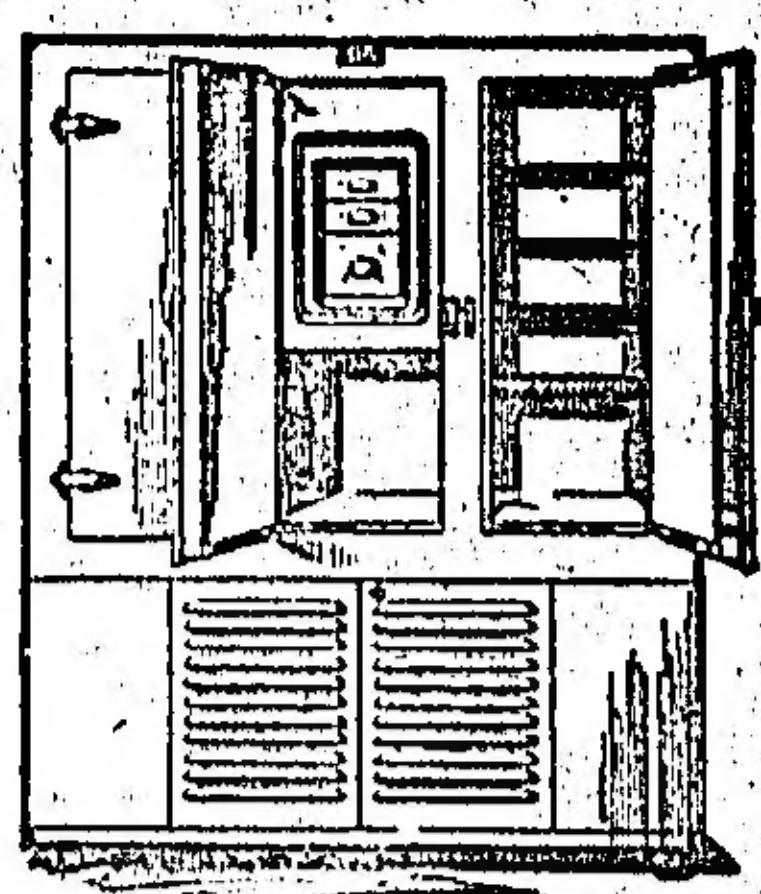
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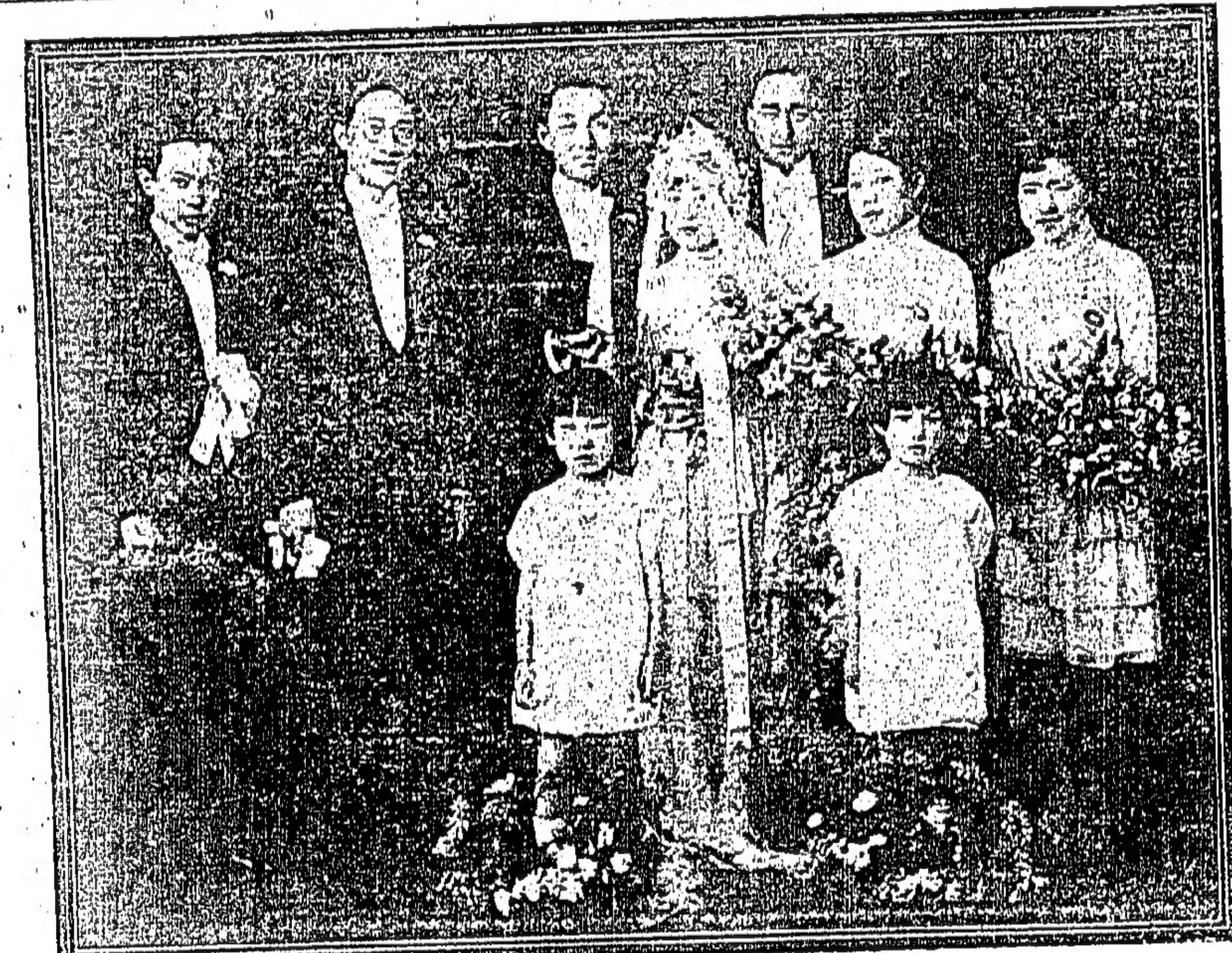
WATCHING THE SPORT.—Some of the crowd which turned out to witness the various events in the International Track and Field Meeting at Shanghai recently.



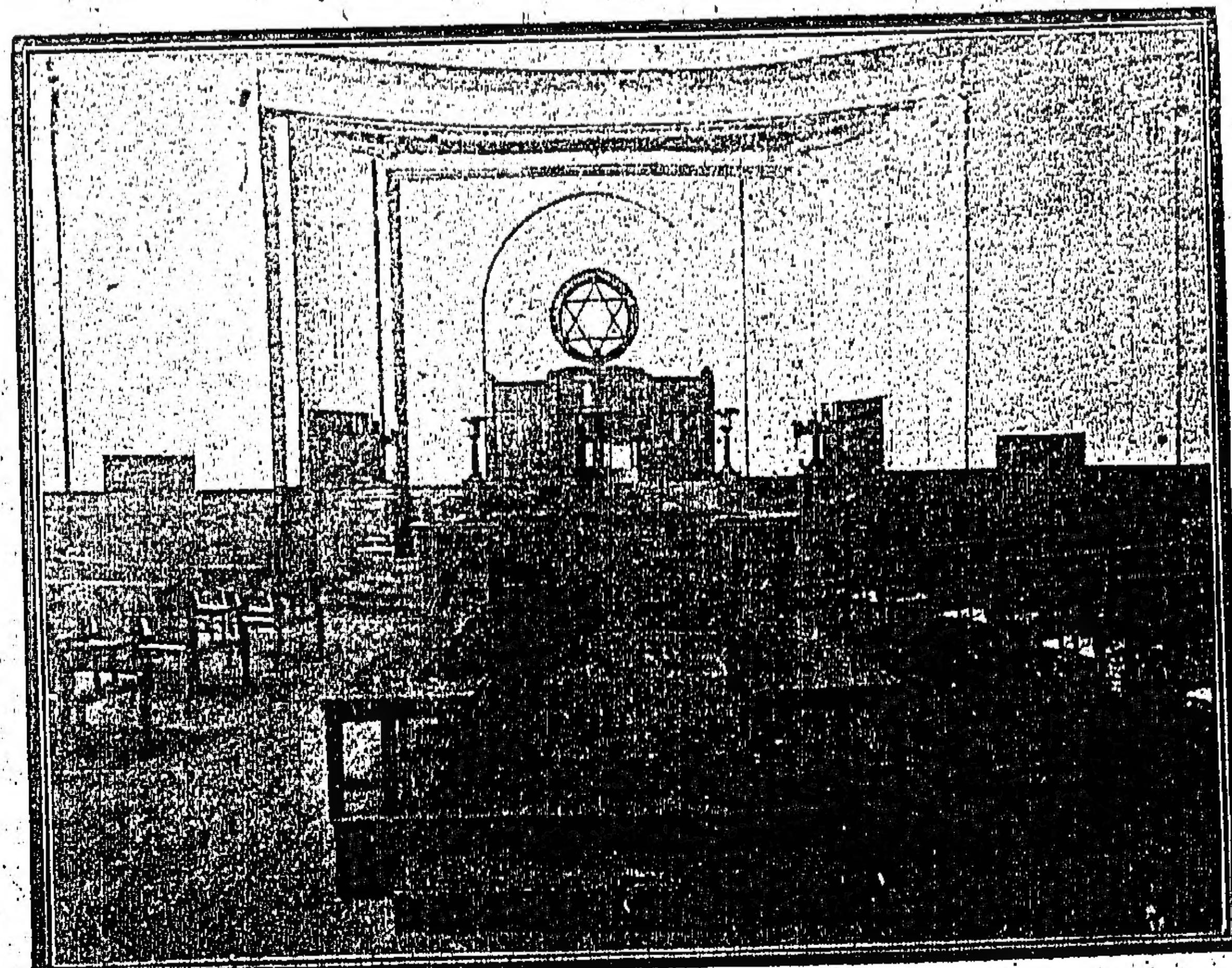
MARCONI AND FIANCÉE.—This portrait of Guglielmo Marconi, Italian inventor of wireless, and the Countess Maria Cristina Bezzati Scali, was taken upon the announcement of their engagement. Their forthcoming wedding is to be one of the notable social events in Rome.



IN MID-AIR.—An American Marine caught in the air while competing in the pole vault at the Shanghai International Track and Field Meeting. The U.S. Marine Corps won the team competition by a large margin of points. Marines excelled especially in the field events.



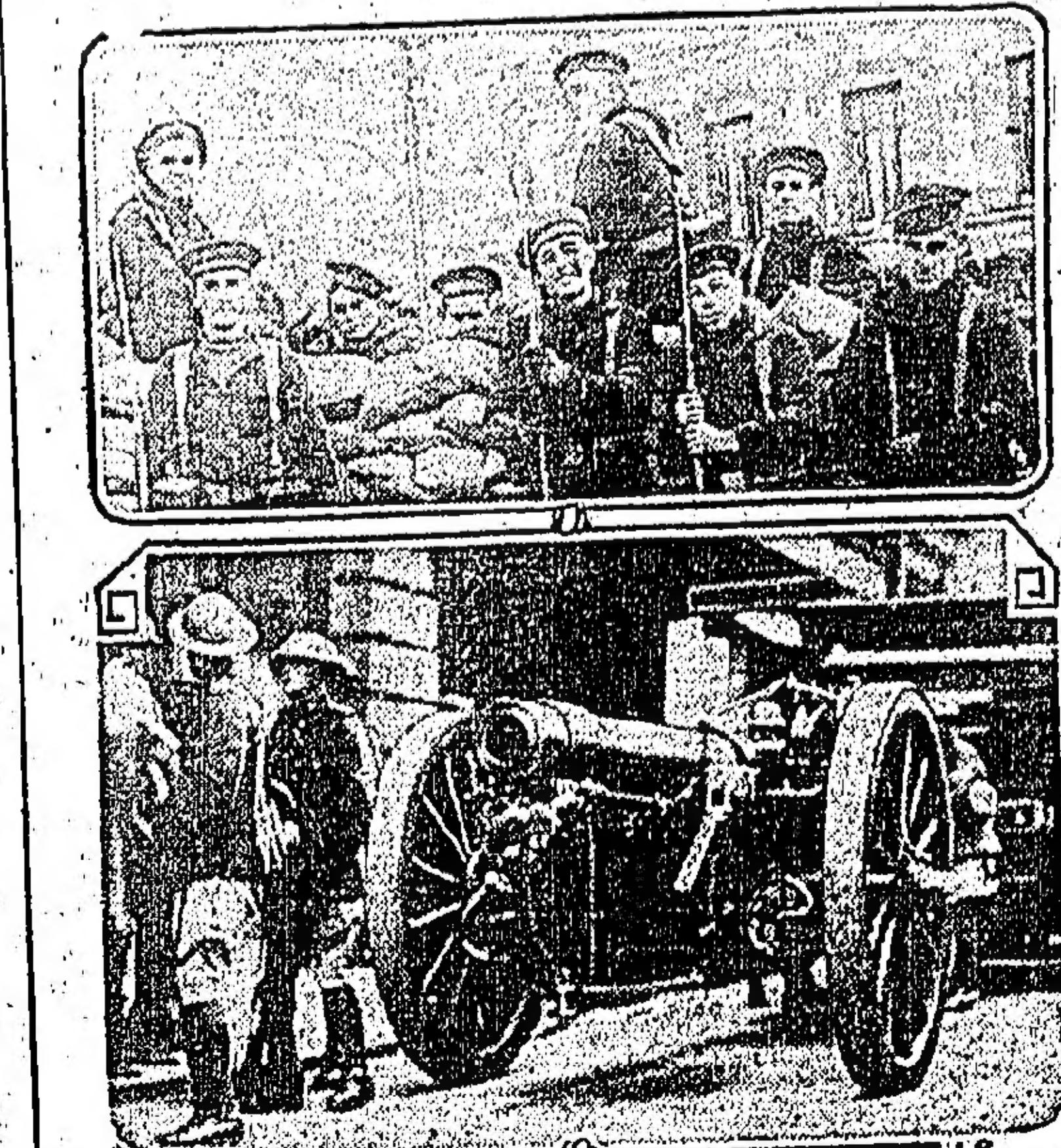
FASHIONABLE CHINESE WEDDING.—Group taken after the wedding on June 18, of Mr Y. J. Huang and Miss Ivy Tsao, at Shanghai. Mr. John C. H. Wu performed the duties of best man.



INTERIOR OF NEW SYNAGOGUE.—An interior view of the Beth Aharon Synagogue, situated on Museum Road, Shanghai, and presented to the Jewish Community of Shanghai by Mrs. S. A. Hardoon.



LONG DISTANCE HOP.—Two British fliers, Lieutenants L. M. Gillman (left) and C. H. Carr, held the world's non-stop flight distance record for an hour when they plunged into the Persian Gulf after a 3,400-mile hop from England. Their record was broken by Lindbergh's 3,600-mile trip, the American flier reaching Paris just an hour after the British plane was wrecked.



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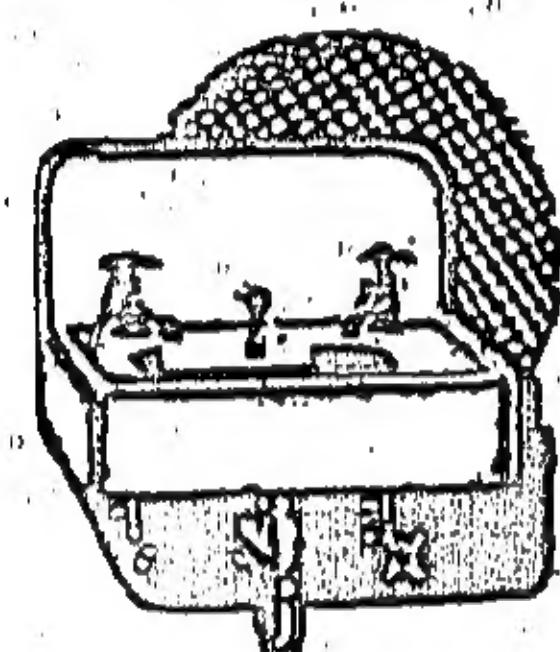
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Sun.	1	in	6 00	feet	0 20 a
Mon.	2	in	6 55	feet	0 20 a
Tue.	3	in	7 50	feet	1 10 a
Wed.	4	in	8 55	feet	1 55 a
Thurs.	5	in	9 50	feet	2 35 a
Fri.	6	in	10 55	feet	2 35 a
Satur.	7	in	11 50	feet	1 10 a
Sun.	8	in	12 55	feet	1 55 a
Mon.	9	in	1 50	feet	2 35 a
Tue.	10	in	2 55	feet	2 35 a
Wed.	11	in	3 50	feet	1 10 a
Thurs.	12	in	4 55	feet	1 55 a
Fri.	13	in	5 50	feet	2 35 a
Satur.	14	in	6 55	feet	1 10 a
Sun.	15	in	7 50	feet	1 55 a

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IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that a warrant has been issued for arrest of Iu Po Lun and a reward of ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS will be paid by the undersigned to any person giving information leading to the arrest and conviction of the culprit.

Reward to be valid for 6 months from July 1st, 1927.

Description. Iu Po Lun aged 31 years, 5 ft. 4 in. in height, very stout, short-sighted wearing glasses, speaks good English dressed in European clothing, Hongkong Born, parents natives of Pun U District.

(Sd.) E. D. C. WOLFE,
Captain Superintendent of Police.

C. I. D. Circular No. 2.
Hongkong, 27th June, 1927.

HISTRIONIC ART IN GERMANY.

THE DEFENCE OF AUSTRALIA.

THE MODERN THEATRE DISCUSSED.

POSSIBILITIES OF AIR ATTACK.

German histrionic art is young. It is scarcely 20 years old. It has no such great traditions as the English theatre has inherited from Elizabethan times or the French theatre from the days of Moliere; but it has with energy shaken off the shackles of foreign influence and developed a vigorous line of its own.

It has traversed some long stages in its journey: first, from the days of Caroline Neuber to Goethe's theatre in Weimar; thence to Laube's Burg Theatre and the Court Theatrical Company of Meiningen, which gave birth to stage management; afterwards came the liberation from the mannerisms of the 19th century which had to make way for freedom of gesture and of speech.

The close of the last century saw a fresh development under Brahms, which paved the way for Max Reinhardt who, in the opening years of the present century, consolidated the preceding styles. Reinhardt combined delight in colour and sound and the love of truth to nature, so characteristic of the Meiningen school, with Brahms's veneration for the text of the poet and his severe naturalness. Like Brahms, he tolerated no false artificiality of tone or gesture; but he also banished false scenery and made it harmonise with the human elements of the stage. Thus writes Herr Berthold Held, a leading authority in Germany.

Efforts to supersede Reinhardt are not wanting, he continues. The Russian theatre, affected by the strongest political revolution, has commenced the most far-reaching demolition of all artistic forms and has given rise to a new movement. Tairov and Maledorff wish to liberate the stage. Under the influence of the Russian theatre and the plastic arts, a theatrical style called expressionism made its appearance in Germany. It constituted an interesting experiment, but it lacked realism and, true to its transitional character, it has become a thing of yesterday.

However, there is no lack of creative minds in the German theatrical world at the present time. Among the managers who have inspired the stage with new life, the most prominent is Herr Leopold Jessner of the Berlin State Theatre. Though benefiting to the full by Reinhardt's pioneer work, he nevertheless goes his own road. Whereas Reinhardt, with his inexhaustible and untamable fancy, ignores all bounds, Jessner, urged by a desire to reduce everything to the simplest formula, seeks to set limits and to condense stage ideas, both in scenic effect and in linguistic expression.

Continuing the decanonisation of poets begun by Gerhart Hauptmann in his production of Wilhelm Tell, he claims, for the stage-manager, the most unfettered liberty to adapt the poet's work to the ideas of the living generation. In contradistinction to Reinhardt, for whom art is its own end and aim, Jessner regards the stage as the arena of philosophy—as the political instrument of the State and of its constitution. In doing so, he can cite as a prototype the theatre of Shakespeare's time, whose stage reflected the political life of the Elizabethan period. In this matter, indeed, Jessner is outstripped by Erwin Piscator, an exceptionally capable histrionic artist who goes so far as to turn the stage into a tribunal and enlist it in the service of a political doctrine.

Innovations. Two other exceedingly prominent stage managers are Karlheinz Martin and Jürgen Fehling, to

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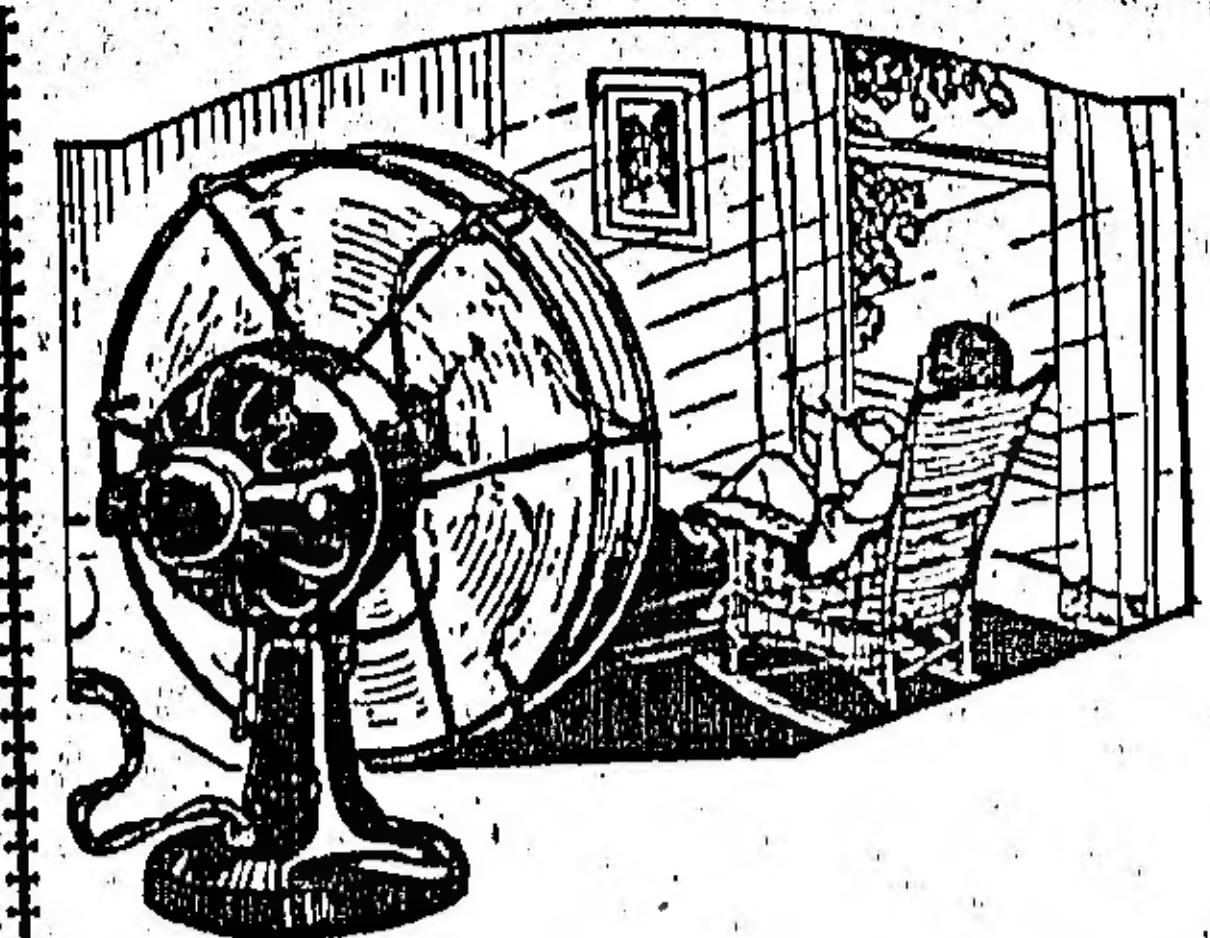
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THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING
WEEK.

No. 284—Hongkong Volunteer De-
fence Corps. Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G.
Bird, D.S.O., Administrative Com-
mandant. Hongkong, Friday, July 8, 1927.

1.—Recruits Parades.

Reference Corps Order No. 1 of
last week all Recruits except those
of the Portuguese Company who
have not passed Musketry Tests Nos.
1 to 4 will parade for Musketry In-
struction at Volunteer Headquarters
at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 12th July.
Dress: Mufli.

For detail of Portuguese Recruits
see Order No. 10 below.

2.—Allotment of Ranges.

The Miniature and Kennedy Road
Ranges are allotted to units during
next week as follows:

Armoured Car Company, Both
Ranges, Monday.

Infantry Company, Both Ranges,
Tuesday.

Engineer and Artillery Companies,
Both Ranges, Wednesday.

Secttish Company and No. 4
Platoon, Both Ranges, Thursday.

Portuguese Company, Both Ranges,
Friday.

3.—Casuals Part I.

The Peak Range is allotted to the
Scottish and Mounted Infantry Com-
panies on Sunday, 24th July for
firing of Casuals in Part I. Table T.

Range Officers:—Lieut. K. S. Mor-
rison and 2/Lieut. H. C. Macnamara.

4.—Engineer Company.

On Wednesday, 13th July an En-
gineer Company team will shoot a
match with the 4th Company, R.E.
on the Miniature Range. Team

will be advised later.

The monthly "Span" Shoot will
take place on Wednesday, 27th July,
at 5.30 p.m.

5.—Mounted Infantry.

All ranks will parade at Stables
on Thursday, 14th July at 5.30 p.m.
Dress: Mufli.

Sunday, 17th July, 1927, Tactical
Ride under O.C. Company parade
at Stables at 2.15 p.m. Dress:
Mufli.

6.—Armoured Car Company.

Monday, 11th and Thursday, 14th
July, 1927, at 5.30 p.m. Vickers Gun
Instruction and Armoured Car drill
and driving at Volunteer Headquar-
ters. Dress: Mufli.

Motor Cycle Section will parade at
Volunteer Headquarters on Monday,
11th July at 5.30 p.m. for Machine
Gun Instruction under 2/Lieut. J.
E. Hancock.

All members of the Motor Cycle
Section are entitled to free driving
and cycle licences they must apply
personally for same with full partic-
ulars direct to Traffic Superintend-
ent of Police, Central Police Sta-
tion.

7.—Infantry Company.

On Fridays, 15th and 22nd July
at 5.30 p.m. all N.C.O.s and other
ranks as detailed by O.C. Company
will parade at Volunteer Headquar-
ters at 5.30 p.m. for a special
N.C.O.'s Course of Training in
Vickers Gun.

8.—Scottish Company.

Special Machine Gun Class as all
ranks detailed in previous orders
will assemble at Volunteer Head-
quarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday,
12th July, 1927.

9.—No. 4 Platoon.

All ranks will parade at Volun-
teer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on
Monday, 11th and Thursday, 14th
July, for Musketry Instruction.
Dress: Mufli.

10.—Portuguese Company.

Friday, 8th July. Men detailed by
circular letter will parade for Rapid-
loading and Snapshtooting practice at
Miniature Range.

There will be no Lewis Gun Class.
Sunday, 10th July, Part I. Mus-
ketry.

The above men will parade at Peak
Range. Dress: Uniform optional,
but pouches, belt, braces and frog
must be worn. Rifles and bayonets
to be drawn from Stores on Friday,
8th July, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon,
or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m. and
on Saturday, 9th July, between 9 a.m.
and 1 p.m. Last Trump up 8.20 a.m.
Firing commences 8.45 a.m. This is
the last opportunity of firing Part
I and all those detailed should make

ALPINE SPORTS.

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Sir Ernest Benn, presiding at
the annual dinner of the Public
Schools Alpine Sports Club at the
Hotel Cecil said he found on the
nursery slopes in Switzerland the
true spirit of sportsmanship such
as was developed by the club.
There, when he got into difficulties,
everyone flocked round ready to
help, encourage, or instruct.

"I contrast," he continued,
"with the treatment I receive,
when making my seventh shot
from the first bunker on the golf
course, from four or five couples
waiting in plus fours." (Laughter.)
When we take our annual
indulgence on the snow-covered
mountains there is a complete ab-
sence of talk about politics, but
on the golf course we talk nothing
else but politics or business. The
burning question of the equality
of the sexes never enters our
heads at winter sports—you can-
not even distinguish between the
sexes." (Laughter.)

About 160 members and guests
attended, among those present being
Lady Benn, Sir Richard and the
Rev. the Hon. E. Lyttelton
(president), Lieut.-Colonel P. T.
Westmorland (hon. secretary),
and Sir Henry Lunn.

a point of attending both above
parades.

Recruits who have not passed
Musketry Tests Nos. 1 to 4 will
parade at Volunteer Headquarters on
Friday, 16th July at 5.30 p.m.

11.—Rifles and Bayonets.

Those members of the Corps now
in possession of Rifles and bayonets
must return them to Volunteer Store
immediately for inspection by the
Armourer.

12.—Sports Committee.

At a Sports Meeting held at Volun-
teer Headquarters on 17th June, 1927
the following Sports Committee were
elected.

President:—Captain D. C. Logan,
M.C., Scottish Company.

Hon. Secretary:—2/Lieut. M. G.
Nell, Engineer Company.

Members:—2/Lieut. T. A. Martin,
(Artillery Company), Sgt. W. H.
Owen, (Engineer Company), Pte. H.
V. Parker, (Armoured Car Company),
Pte. G. D. Wales, (Infantry Com-
pany), Drummer R. B. Bell, (Scot-
tish Company), Pte. A. B. Barrios,
(Portuguese Company), Lieut. E. P.
Minet, T. D. V. D. (Medical
Section), C.S.M. J. A. G. Leask, (Re-
serve Company).

13.—Promotions and Appointments.
The following promotions and ap-
pointments take effect from 1st July,
1927.

14.—Armoured Car Company (Motor
Cycle Section), No. 780 L/Sergt. L. E.
Curwood to be Sergeant, No. 1040
Corpl. R. K. Valentino to be Lance
Sergeant, No. 2 Platoon, No. 1121
Pte. G. E. L. Johnson to be Lance
Corporal.

15.—Transfer.

No. 1214 Pte. A. J. Baker is trans-
ferred from the Mounted Infantry
Company to the Armoured Car Com-
pany, as from 1.7.27.

16.—Leave.

No. 682 Pte. W. C. Clark, Armoured
Car Company is granted 5 months'
exemption from Military Duties from
1.7.27 to 30.11.27.

17.—Resignations.

No. 756 Pte. W. M. Mason, No.
2 Platoon is permitted to resign from
the Corps, as from 28.6.27, having
left the Colony.

No. 912 Pte. J. M. Henderson, No.
2 Platoon is permitted to resign from
the Corps, as from 1.7.27, having
purchased his discharge.

R. A. WOLFE-MURRAY, Major,

ADJUTANT, H. K. V. D. Corps.

NOTICE.

Sports Meeting.—There will be a
meeting of the Sports Committee on
Monday, 11th July, at 9.00 p.m. All
members representing units are re-
quested to attend, at Volunteer Head-
quarters.

Castle Peak Murder.

NO DIRECT EVIDENCE FROM
PROSECUTION.

The Chinese who was charged
with the murder of his wife in
Castle Peak in the San Hoi Village
was again before Mr. R. E. Lind-
sell yesterday afternoon.

Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith pro-
secuted and Mr. G. A. Gordon Leask
conducted the defence.

The crown produced two wit-
nesses yesterday to prove
that there had been quar-
rels and disorder in de-
fendant's household even a
year ago. One of the witnesses
stated that she saw a fight be-
tween the husband and the wife in
June, 1926, and she went into the
house to pacify the couple. At
that time she had noticed a
strange woman in the house. This
woman she believed was the con-
cubine.

After Sub-Inspector Lano had
given evidence and had been
lengthily cross-examined by Mr.
Leask as to many of the details
regarding the locality of the house
and the marks on the body when
exhumed, the defence was opened.

The Defence.

Mr. Leask suggested that the
Crown had not proved a case
against the defendant at all. He
admitted that there was a number
of points that went against the de-
fendant, but he could not see any-
thing which the Crown had
brought out which would show
that the defendant was the direct
cause of his wife's death.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that
the meal in the stomach showed
that death was sudden, to which
Mr. Leask replied that he was pre-
pared to admit that death was
sudden, but how could the defen-
dant be said to have caused sud-
den death to his wife? He sub-
mitted that no jury would convict
a man on the evidence which Mr.
Whyte Smith had laid before his
Worship, and he asked that the
prisoner be discharged.

The prisoner's conduct after the
disappearance of his wife was ex-
plained by Mr. Leask in this way.
He had suddenly come upon the
body of his wife hanging from the
root of the attic. He at once cut
down the body and concealed it.
Later that night he took it out to
back of his house and buried it.
His subsequent action in telling
lies about his wife to the many
witnesses who had given evidence
could easily be explained. He dis-
covered that the act which he
had committed, namely, concealing
the body of his dead wife without
notifying the police, was pun-
ishable by ten years' impris-
onment. It was in order to pro-
tect himself that the prisoner had
lied about his wife.

Circumstantial Evidence.

Mr. Whyte Smith pointed out
that there was a string of cir-
cumstantial evidence which pointed
to the prisoner's guilt and asked
his Worship to commit. He ad-
mitted that the onus was on the
Crown to prove that the defen-
dant had committed the act of
homicide, but he felt that a jury
would convict the defendant on
the evidence which had so far
been produced. He contended that
it might be perfectly true that the
prisoner had lied for fear of ten
years' imprisonment but so far
the defence had not yet proved
that that was so, and under the
circumstances his Worship would
be perfectly justified in commit-
ting the man.

Mr. Leask argued that the evi-
dence of the doctor pointed to a
possibility of suicide and he asked
his Worship not to convict the de-
fendant.

Mr. Lindsell adjourned the case
until 11.30 this morning to con-
sider the matter.

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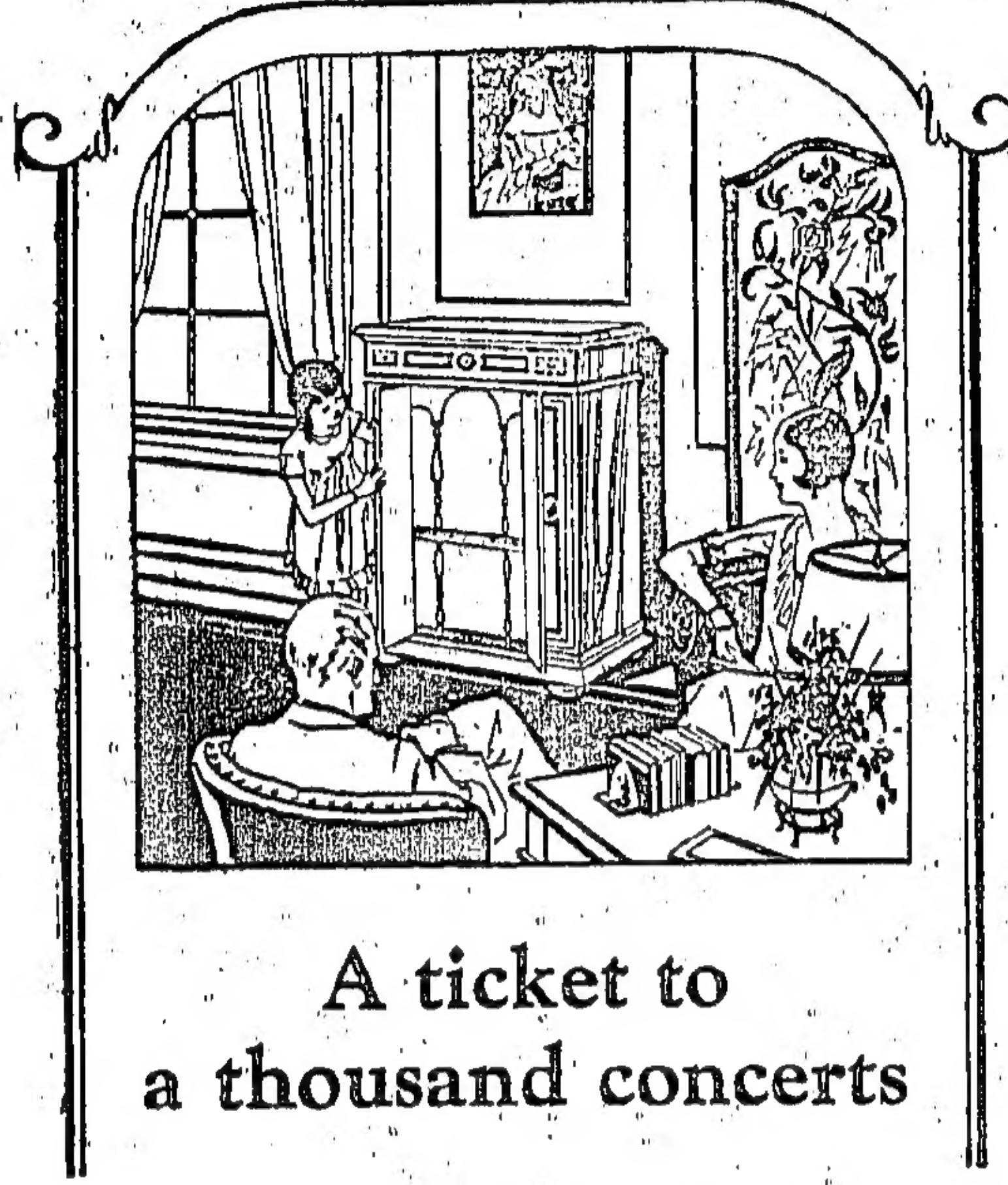
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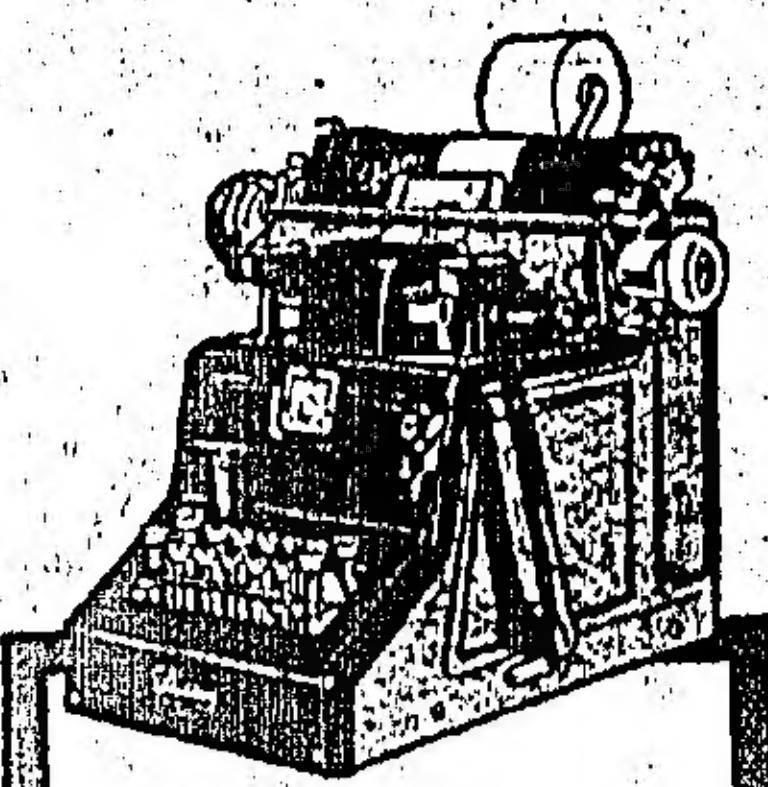
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DEATH.

PERRY.—At Greenock, Scotland, on the 1st June, Robert Perry, late of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery, Quarry Bay.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, JULY 8, 1927.

AN AFTERMATH OF VERSAILLES.

One cannot but express disappointment at the statement made in the House of Commons on Wednesday, by Sir Austen Chamberlain, with reference to the termination of the occupation of the Rhineland by Allied troops, because it displays an attitude wholly at variance with the hopes that were held out at Locarno and immediately afterwards, Sir Austen stated that the question of fixing a date for the evacuation was not discussed at Geneva, and he proceeded to say that the "circumstances in which the Rhineland is to be evacuated were laid down in the Treaty of Versailles." Of course, all the world knows that, and has known it ever since the Treaty was signed, but the world has in the meantime been often led to believe that the rigorous and somewhat humiliating conditions of the Treaty in this respect would be modified in the interests of that better feeling between Germany and her war-time enemies so eminently desirable. As a matter of fact, the military evacuation of the Rhineland was so often spoken about just before and during the historic Locarno discussions, that Germany now asserts that when she signed the Locarno Pact she understood that evacuation was part of the bargain. How far that is so we do not know, but we do know that it is a very regrettable thing to disappoint and re-emphasize the present-day Germans.

It is getting on for nine years ago since fighting ceased on the western front, and ever since that time Germany, in addition to the payment of colossal sums by way of reparations under the Dawes Scheme, has had a large part of her western territory occupied by the troops of foreign powers. France has insisted that such a procedure is necessary in the interests of "security," and it is a well-known fact that M. Poincaré, the present Premier, has strenuously opposed any idea of freeing the Rhineland of French troops. Even when M. Briand was meeting Dr. Stresemann and Sir Austen Chamberlain at Thoiry, M. Poincaré was

implacably against the suggestion. But it looked as though that statesman would have to bow to a more liberal spirit than animated himself. A keener patriot than M. Poincaré it would be hard to find, yet one often wonders whether he fully realises the result of his ultra-nationalism. But he is in the ascendant and he now dominates French foreign policy, especially where Germany is concerned, and it would appear that he has taken Sir Austen Chamberlain along with him in his refusal to surrender one iota of the rights conferred by the Treaty of Versailles.

The original reason for the occupation of the Rhineland was to ensure that Germany carried out her other obligations of the Treaty, and generally behaved herself. In the immediate post-war years, when all Europe was more or less in a political flux from out of which might have come all manner of events, there could be no moral exception to the Allies' occupation of that part of Germany's territory which abutted on their own. It was an obvious precaution. But, with the passing of the years and disentangling of the political skein, with Germany a member of the League of Nations and with the supposed rapprochement effected at Locarno, it is not longer possible to treat Germany as a country that needs to be partially occupied by foreign troops in order to ensure either her correct behaviour or her fulfilment of reparation obligations. Germany asks, and rightly so we think, to be treated differently. The most desirable thing in Europe at the moment is friendliness between the nations with its consequent re-birth of confidence and the dying away of the enmities and disappointments bred of the Great War. Some time or other we have got to leave behind our distrusts, or else we shall never come upon that unified and co-operative Europe which is obviously natural, even geographically. We are sorry that Britain has not decided to adopt a more liberal view of the matter than Sir Austen Chamberlain indicates.

The New Prayer Book.

The acceptance by the Church Assembly of the revised Prayer Book, marks, as a news cable has phrased it, the most critical decision taken by the Church of England since the Reformation. It is likely to cause a great deal of controversy yet; and the voting was not unanimous. There has already been a tense argument in the Press at Home on the question of the propriety of the changes, the elimination of certain passages being objected to by the more conservative elements of the Protestant denomination. Apart from sectarial considerations, one can approach the point from an entirely neutral position, observe how the trend for reform and the growth of national and, to some extent feminine, independence, has affected even such a matter as the standard Prayer Book of the Church of England. There had for several years been a growing set against certain phrases, which in the light of modern usage had become inadvisable, even archaic. Terms in common use in mediaeval times, retained in the Christian religious books, are not always appropriate to-day, and some reformers would go even further than mere Prayer Book revision. Women of the new emancipation have increasingly represented the "obey" clause in the marriage service, to take only one instance of the modern way of thinking, and in some cases, long before definite revision was called for this word has, by mutual agreement, been omitted from the service. To many, however, these and other cases of "tinkering" savour of the excessively meticulous, and all attempts to alter the wording of the services sanctioned by long usage have been criticised. Now there is a revised Prayer Book, authorised first by the Convocation of Bishops and accepted now by the Church Assembly by a majority. Actually, one fails to see that mere alterations of wording, which aim at removing what is considered to run counter to certain susceptibilities, can cause any revolutionary change. There are those who will always rather have the old phraseology and format retained, but in the end it is no question of altered faith, and nobody need be any the worse for accepting the reform.

A whist drive was held at The Cinema, Mount Austin Barracks, last night by the King's Own Scottish Borderers.

DAY BY DAY.

THE YEARS WRITE THEIR RECORDS
ON MEN'S HEARTS AS THEY DO
ON TREES—INNER CIRCLES OF
GROWTH WHICH NO EYE CAN SEE.—
Saxe Holm.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

The B.I.s.s. Tara, from Singapore, is due here on Tuesday evening.

The Nyanza, arriving from Bombay and Singapore, carried one Naval rating for Shanghai, and two Chinese for local disembarkation.

It is understood that the after-part of the J.C.J. liner Tjiloeboet will be undocked from Takuoo this afternoon, and will be berthed at buoy A.31.

The weather forecast up till noon to-morrow, as issued by the Royal Observatory, is: "South-west winds, fresh, squally; generally overcast, rain."

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave six arrivals and nine departures, of which two and four respectively were British, leaving 62 vessels in harbour, British 26.

The s.s. Pres. Lincoln, Dollar Steamship Line, is expected to arrive here on Sunday from Victoria and Seattle via Japan ports and Shanghai. The vessel will sail the following day for Manila, arriving at Seattle on August 1st.

The Hospital Comforts Committee begs to acknowledge, with thanks, receipt of the following for the Hospitals:—Parcels of Magazines from Mrs. A. H. Hamilton, Mrs. A. R. Sutherland and the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong at noon to-day:—President Lincoln, Selatan, Nyanza, Tonkin, Haikou, Cremer, Tjimanock, Tjikarang, Hanoi, Hosang, Namsang, Novara, Cheribon Maru, Deli Maru, Huruna Maru, Sanjin Maru, Ceylon Maru, Baron Ogilvy.

Sergeant Stanley Pokrent, Company "E", 31st Infantry, was instantly killed when he fell out of a second storey window in his company's barracks building at Manila last Friday. The accident occurred at 5.45 p.m., shortly after the sergeant had returned to quarters from retreat. The sergeant was dead a few seconds after he struck the ground, according to soldiers who were standing near and who rushed over to pick him up. He fell head foremost and his skull was fractured.

UNGENEROUS COOLIE.

WOULD NOT SHARE HIS SHELTER.

Anticipating heavy rains last night a street coolie erected a covering over the space in which he intended to rest for the night.

The covering proved to be an effective shelter when the rain later began to pour down so much that other coolies squeezed in under it. The coolie who made the shelter, however, did not see why he should be called upon to share his sleeping space and struck one of the intruders on the head with a hammer.

He was charged this morning before Mr. R. E. Lindsell with assaulting the injured man, and was fined \$3, and ordered to pay \$1 as compensation to the injured coolie.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, July 7.

Paris	124
Brussels	34.91
Amsterdam	12.11
Berlin	20.45
Copenhagen	18.17
Vienna	84.49
Helsingfors	1924
Lisbon	27.78
Bucharest	47.73
Buenos Aires	2/6
Shanghai	1/11
Yokohama	4.87
New York	15.82
Geneva	25.21
Milan	88.16
Stockholm	18.14
Oslo	38.77
Prague	36.32
Madrid	28.72
Athens	36.68
Rio	15.10
Bombay	15.00
Hongkong	15.00
Silky (spot and forward)	25.81
British Wireless	15.00

THROUGH A PAIR OF SPECTACLES.

OVER THE FAN-TAN TABLE.

Among the suggestions made by Chinese merchants to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for promoting the revival of trade is one that fanatic should be permitted under licence in the Colony, says the S. C. M. Post, and need any more be said.

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Even a still tongue cannot be regarded as impossible to a woman, on the contrary, I am now satisfied that she can be goaded into anything. A casual remark, a spot of leg-pulling, and it was happening. I can imagine a famous diarist running all the way home to write: Am doubtful of my future reception at Elle's. Felt rather reckless, perhaps the gins, and did joke with her about women. Did actually see a woman remain silent for half an hour, though suffering was very plain to see.

Ella is a modern, with a habit of taking you by surprise and life seriously at one and the same moment. It doesn't last for long, so I live to tell the tale. One of those unaccountable silences, which even "Pass the mustard" failed to break, had occurred round the dining-table. I missed the gleam in her eye at my first remark, which contained a note of surprise, and rambled gaily on until I stopped to explain that because I ducked I was not responsible for the "boy" forgetting his dishes and holding his nose.

When peace was restored, the gleam was still plain to see, and Ella announced that she was willing to try everything once, though I admit she didn't put it that way exactly. And for half an hour she said not a word, even a cockroach held closely for her investigation failed to excite comment—just at the moment. And being gallant, I forbore to mention the number of times she consulted her wrist watch. Half an hour went by.

Then the floodgates were opened. In the next ten minutes I heard all she would have said in that half an hour and more. Furthermore, when the lady begins to call you "Mr. Krabbe"—if such is your fate—when formerly it was "Walter" it is time you took your leave. Gracefully. Along the Dotted Line.

Fair Spring is returning. No, what I really mean to say is that anyone can have spring fever in the spring, but it takes an artist, or a traffic cop, to keep it going all the year round. For the moment, I am hinting at precisely nothing—that you'll notice—but all the best writers begin with a premise and that will do as well as any other.

Now talking of dotted lines, an always ready-to-hand sort of subject, we all know what dotted lines are for—even a policeman will be able to tell you next week. But I digress, as the sergeant said, guiding me gently, as he would a shy young groom to a blushing bride, in the general direction of the white-lined aisle round the sacred square at the Post Office.

Anyone with an eye to spare after contesting the right of way with a few stout, or shall we say stoutish, ladies, a fleet of rickshaws, a motor-car or two, and a gentleman with St. Vitus' Dance, must have noticed that the white lines, with road attachments, are being removed, and that a dotted line of white marble, or white something or other, in accord with what we all have to do to this sort of thing when it crops up, is in the process of being laid down. This reminds me of other playful habits. Take our little friend the lizard, for instance. He thinks nothing of discarding his tail if it is tweaked hard enough, but undismayed he continues to stick out his tongue—for his own satisfaction—and proceeds to produce a new tail. And I am persuaded that the discoverer of the Colony's traffic problem has had his tail tweaked hard enough by Wyndham Street. Now having, in the words of the poet, decided to pip the papers on the post, he seems determined thereby to hand our traffic problem down to posterity. Thus do we find some good in all things, if we know where to look for it.

Rejected.

Meanwhile, having some doubt as to its authenticity, the Telegraph has rejected the following advertisement:—For Sale, or May Be Taken Away. Several sections of white line, complete with road equipment and non-solid breaks. No curio dealers need apply. Write etc.

A Confession.

Says Peter, in a contemporary: Spectacles don't always guarantee accuracy of vision.

After this touching remark I propose to let Peter into a little secret. Not everything appearing herein is intended to be taken seriously.

J. W. (Taikoo): It is rather curious, isn't it? When a strike comes off, it's on—W. J. K.

The Very Idea!

We gather from these American headlines that blizzards have been rather fiercer than usual lately.

Three States Hit.

By Blizzard.

One Missing.

The spring which turns the young man's fancy to thoughts of love is a good friend to the tattooist, who, in certain districts, is particularly busy at this time of the year inscribing the beloved ones' names on the persons of male clients.

An extra boom was enjoyed by the tattooing experts this year by reason of the departure of British troops for China, scores of whom underwent "treatment" before hand.

Willesden magistrate: Were you drunk?—Man: I was as right as rain, sir.

Shoreditch landlady: She said to me, "You are a dream." Of course there is nothing in what she said, but you should have heard her say it.

Magistrates' clerk at Menni Bridge: Can I describe you as a "retired gentleman"?—Man: I am going to wear out if I can—I am not going to rust.

Nottinghamshire woman: I don't understand police courts; they are a mystery to me.

You can never enjoy your garden unless you love your gardener.—Lady Aberconway.

My ideal surgeon is a very handsome man of distinguished presence.—Sir Berkeley Moynihan.

It is in the hands of the housewives of the country to make Imperial Preference a real thing.—Lady Baxter.

We used to say youth was knocking at the door, but to-day youth rushes in without knocking.—Mrs. Foxon.

Some howlers:

An Equimo is a man who lives near the North Pole.

The lungs are the organs of excretion.

A cipher is a sort of bottle that squirts.

The feminine of hare is rabbit.</p

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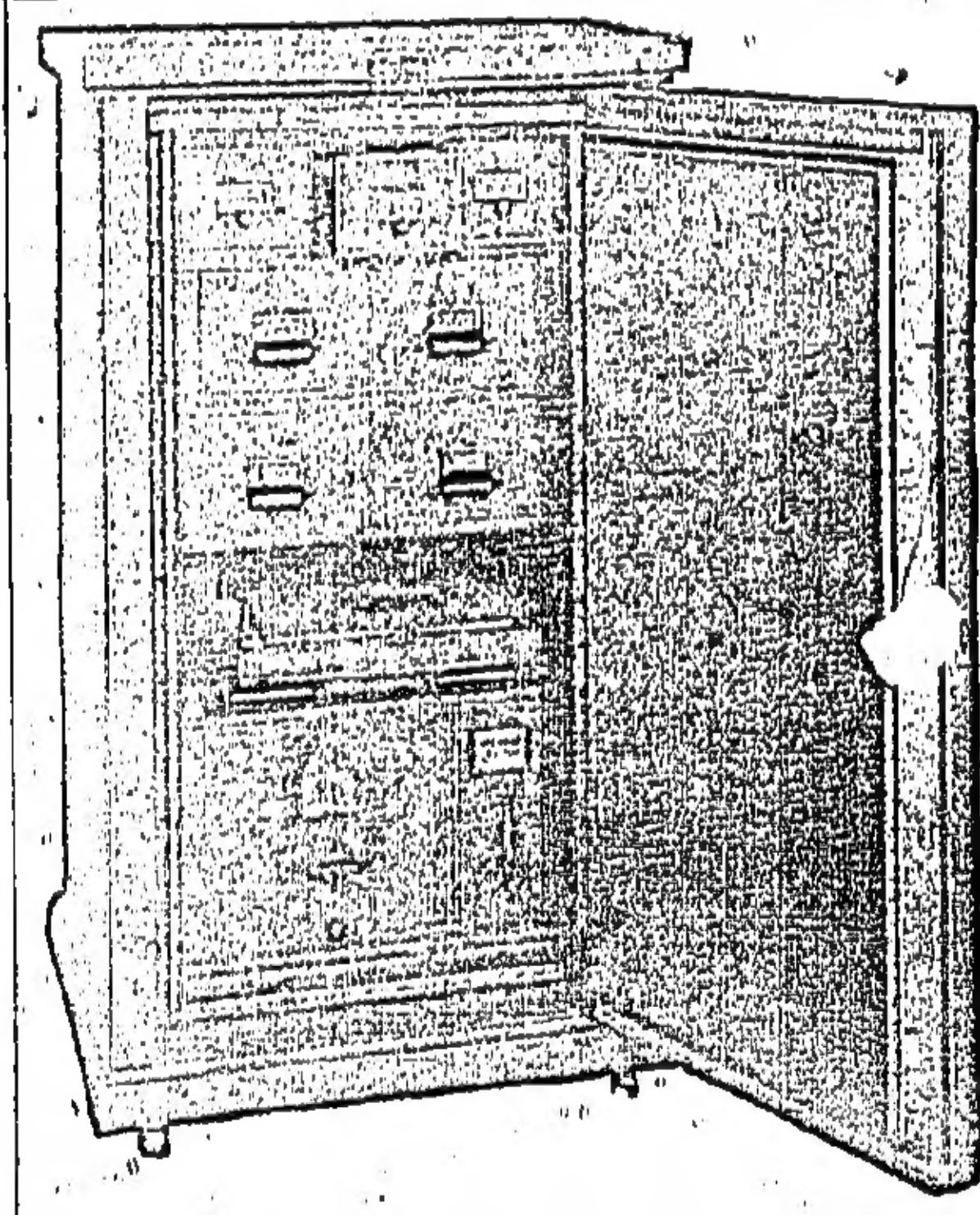
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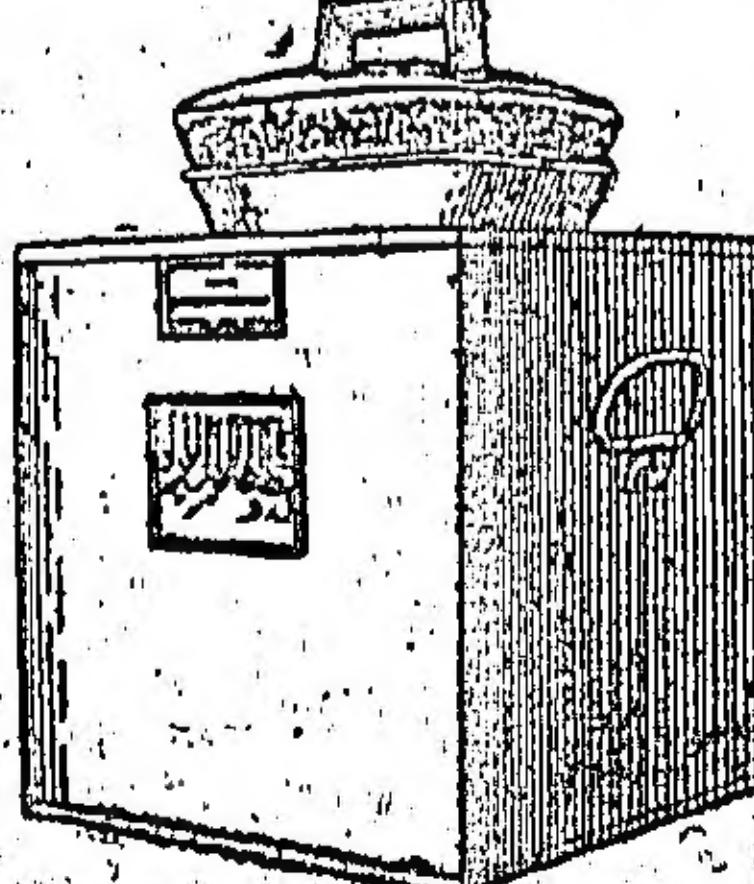
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21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended July 7th, 1908.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2s. 1 1/2d.

Among those who took part in the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve shoot were Messrs. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C. E. H. Beavis, and E. W. Terry.

A wild deer was found swimming between Stonecutter's Island and the mainland.

The Director of Public Works reported progress during the year of the Naval Yard extension and Taikoo Dockyard. The large blocks of buildings on the Praya Reclamation, including Hotel Mansions, King's Building, York Building and Royal Building were completed during the year. The Matilda Hospital and the new Military Hospital at Bowen Road were nearing completion at the close of the year. Work had begun on Rennie's Flour Mill at Junk Bay. The Kowloon-Canton Railway was surveyed and the work of construction begun.

It was reported that the negotiations between the Colonial Government and the Military Authorities for exchanges of land had been practically brought to a conclusion.

A series of open-air promenade concerts, under the auspices of the Volunteer Corps, was inaugurated. Mr. George Grindle conducted.

Business was commenced by the Harbour Department in its new offices in Connaught Road Central (New Praya), nearly opposite the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company's wharf.

The Rev. C. H. Hickling and Mrs. Hickling celebrated their silver wedding. Mr. Hickling decided to remain as Pastor of the Union Church for another term of five years.

Among those arriving in the Colony was Mr. L. S. Greenhill, who came out on the s.s. *Nubia*.

ROMANCE AND LAUGHTER.

EXCELLENT PICTURE AT THE QUEEN'S.

A picture featuring the popular and talented Laura La Plante is always sure of a welcome reception in Hongkong, this being more particularly so when such a high class production as "Butterflies in the Rain," which is showing at the Queen's Theatre until Saturday, can be seen. There were large audiences yesterday.

The film, which is adapted from the story by Andrew Soutar, enables Laura La Plante to fulfil a role for which she is particularly adapted, that of an aristocrat "Butterfly." How she tries to shock the man who loves her, whom she considers an upstart because he is the son of a miner although he owns an adjoining estate, but how he marries her in the end, winning both her love and the respect of the aristocrats, must be seen to be appreciated.

James Kirkwood is in the lead with Laura La Plante, and the two together make a very attractive leading pair.

Although this film has its more serious and tense situations there is plenty of humour, which is forthcoming in the most unexpected places.

"Butterflies in the Rain" is certainly a picture to go and see, and ranks with the best in which Laura La Plante has been featured.

CANTON IN DANGER.

ATTACK THREATENED FROM HUNAN.

Canton, July 7.
In view of the fact that General Tang Sang-chi has come down to Changsha again and is reported to have mobilized in Hunan against Canton, the defence of the northern border of the province has again become serious. The Kwangsi troops on the North River have all been ordered to proceed to the Hunan borders and General Au-yang Kui, formerly a chief subordinate of General Wu Te-chien, left for the Hunan front yesterday to direct the defence there on behalf of General Chien Ta-chen, the field-marshal who is hurrying back to Canton from Nanking where he recently had a conference with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek on the anti-Red northern expedition.

DIVINATION CUPS.

A COMPANY THAT FAILED.

The statutory first meeting of the creditors and shareholders of Cup of Knowledge, Limited, Mitre Chambers, Mitre-Street, E.C., was held last month at the Carey-street offices of the Board of Trade, Lincoln's Inn, W.C.

Mr. E. T. A. Phillips, Official Receiver, reported that the company was formed as a private company in March, 1924, with a nominal capital of £3,000. The business transacted by the company consisted solely of the sale of cups and saucers, the cup described as the "cup of knowledge," having miniature playing cards printed inside.

A booklet with an illustration of the cup, and bearing the title "A Key to the Mystery of Divination," was published which formed the basis of telling fortunes by the combination of cards and tea leaves. Two stands were rented at the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley, and, in addition to the sales effected at the Exhibition, a certain amount of business was done with wholesale houses and otherwise, but the company's operations resulted in a net loss of £2,380 down to March, 1926.

Comparatively small business was transacted subsequently. Directors went out to Australia, New Zealand, and Philadelphia to exploit the "cup," but their activities did not appear to have resulted in any benefit to the company. No statement of affairs had been lodged, but the unsecured liabilities were roughly estimated at £1,500 and at present no assets had been discovered.

The liquidation was left in the hands of the Official Receiver.

THEATRE AND CINEMA.

NEW SOLUTION TO THE RIVALRY.

The National Theatre in Oslo has had financial difficulties from the start. The theatre is supposed to produce only dramas of high literary value, to employ only the very best players, and to charge such low prices that all classes of the population can afford to go.

The Norwegian Storting has declined even the smallest financial aid. An original way out of the difficulties has now been found. The municipality of Oslo, which has taken over all the cinemas in the city, has decided that a portion of the entrance money from the cinemas shall go to the theatre.

The latest British production in Oslo is "Week-End," by Noel Coward. The acting was brilliant, but the piece failed to arouse much interest because the atmosphere of the play was too English and too unfamiliar to the Norwegian public.

GOLD MINING IN NORTH MANCHURIA.

A FLOURISHING INDUSTRY.

Algun, Huma and Lopch are three gold mining districts in Heilungkiang province, where eleven mining companies are operating, employing a total of over 3,000 miners.

Besides the foregoing concerns, which are financed by Chinese, there are a British and a number of American interests also working in those regions. The total output of gold during the last two years is reported to have dropped from 15,925 catties to 2,785-3,340 catties. The decreased production has compelled the mining companies to limit their working scope, while the total number of miners employed by the different companies has been reduced from 15,000 to 3,000. The Tai Ping Company, for instance, suffered serious losses last autumn owing to scarcity of output. It is estimated that if each miner procures 0.0536 ounces of pure gold a day, the company would make a moderate profit, but if the figure drops to 0.036 ounces, the proceeds would be barely enough to cover expenses.

Generally speaking, the companies adopt the hydraulic mining process and use American style sluices. Occasionally, gold nuggets of notable size are obtained, although the bulk is obtained from the sand or in small particles. On the average, 2,785 catties of gold sand or ore yield about 0.1608 ounces of pure gold, but occasionally the figure reaches as high as 4.8 ounces of pure gold from the same quantity of ore.

The miners work about 250 days a year. They are paid either wage or contract rates. In the latter case, the foremen or contractor is responsible for the miners and also for supervising his work. The miner is required to sell all the gold he gets to the companies at the rate of 0.1072 ounces for \$3. This rate is, of course, much lower than the current market price.

At the headquarters of the mining companies, a number of armed guards are stationed for the maintenance of order as well as for the protection of the companies' property. They are usually detachments of regular troops and collect a tax on the companies' output. In the neighbourhood of the mining camps, small market towns have sprung up to supply the needs of the miners.

Two of the more important gold mines in those regions are worth mentioning in detail. The Muernan gold mine, which is situated at some distance west of Ningkiangsien, is operated by a Chinese company with a total yearly output of 139-167 catties of gold. The gold mine at Kilalin was formerly operated by Russian capitalists but is now worked by the Kwang Hsin Co. This claim,

covering an area of a dozen square li, is located about 35 li from Shihwei. The total yearly output from this region in 1926 was estimated at 222 catties, of which 138 catties went to the Kwang Hsin Company.

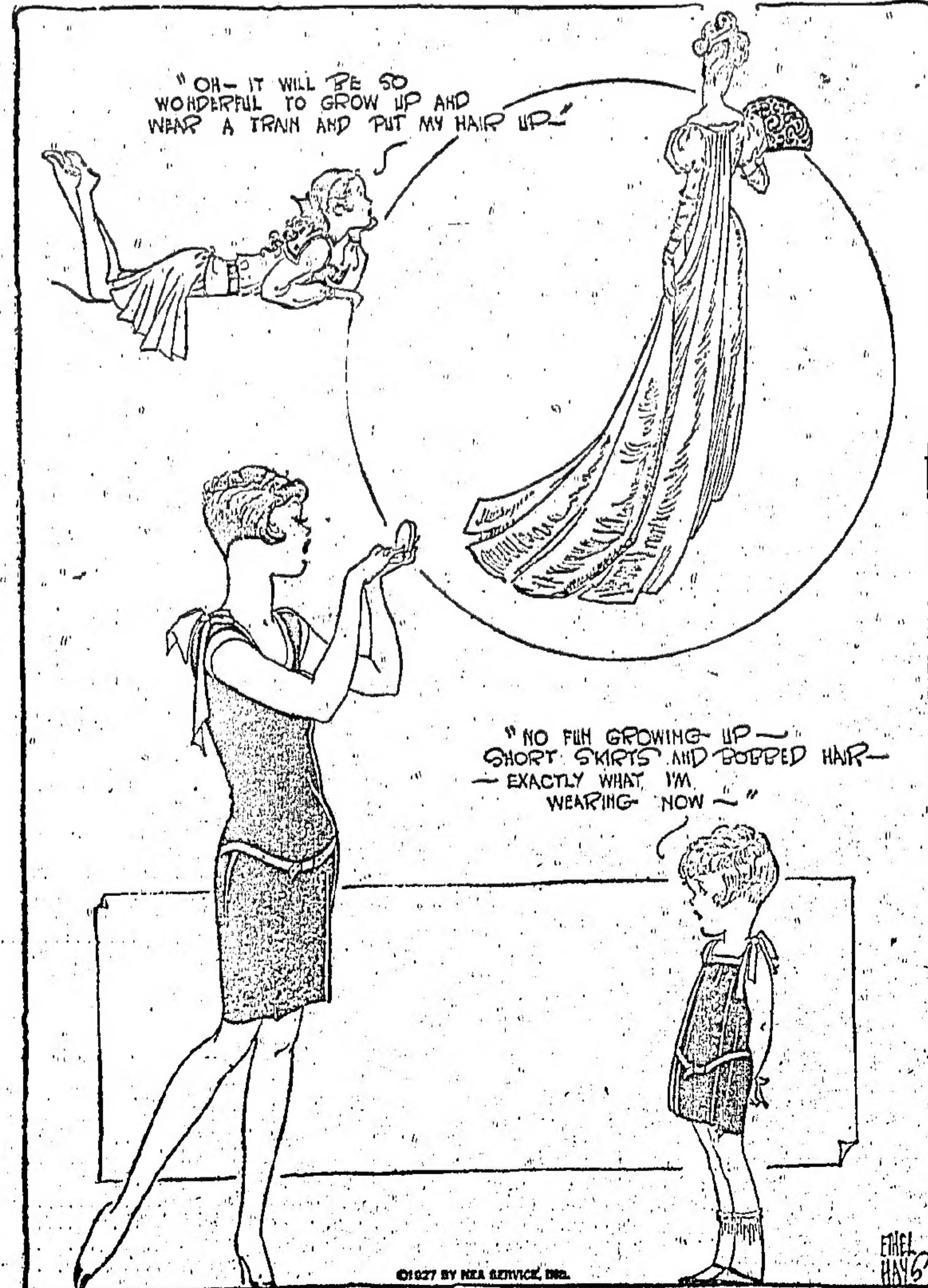
Annual Output.

The average total yearly output of gold from the different mines in Heilungkiang province is believed to amount to 2,340-3,584 catties, the bulk of which is produced in the mines located in the Heilungkiang circuit. This figure does not however, include certain quantities procured by poachers or unauthorized mine workers.

There is a touch of romance in the story of gold mining in the Heilungkiang backwoods. About forty years ago, the rich gold veins were first brought to light. There was an immediate rush for the gold fields. Among the pioneer gold seekers, there were many coolies, unemployed miners, and adventurers from Siberia. Finally they all formed a sort of "republic" in the new territory. The mines held out such rich promises that there used to be a saying that gold could be obtained in lumps by simply removing the green turf from the surface of the earth. Many actually found themselves rich over-night. Both Chinese coolies and Russian adventurers greatly swelled the population of the "republic," which at one time boasted 8,000 "citizens." The "republic" was not amenable to Chinese jurisdiction, and the leaders or chieftains often took the law into their own hands. It is estimated that several thousand pounds of pure gold were procured by the gold seekers before the "republic" was suppressed by Chinese authorities. At present, although the "republic" has been wiped out of existence, groups of private gold seekers are still frequently met with in those regions. They often organise themselves into groups of 20 or 30 men each and roam over the countryside in search of gold. A class of small shops have been opened in the neighbourhood of Heilung to export gold, collected principally from this class of free-lance gold seekers.—*Chinese Economic Bulletin*.

According to the most recent estimate of the Canadian Government Bureau of Statistics, the population of Canada as at June 1, 1926, was 9,389,300. At the census taken in June, 1921, the population of the Dominion was 8,788,343. This latest estimate shows that the Province of Ontario has the largest population in the Dominion with 3,145,600; Quebec next with 2,561,800; Saskatchewan third with 821,000 and the other provinces as follows: Manitoba, 639,000; Alberta, 607,000; British Columbia, 568,400; Nova Scotia, 540,000; New Brunswick, 407,200; Prince Edward Island, 57,000; Northwest Territories, 8,850, and Yukon Territory, 3,450.

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A case, vital to the interests of the Colony's suppliers of electric current, came up for hearing before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon when one of the partners of the Sun Kwong Restaurant, of Woosung Street, was charged with tampering with the meters on the premises.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong prosecuted on behalf of the China Light and Power Co., and Mr. G. R. Haywood represented the defendant.

Mr. Haywood pleaded not guilty. Prefacing his opening with the remark that the defendant had signed the application for the installation of the meter, Mr. Armstrong submitted that he was responsible to the Company for the alleged abstraction of current.

Mr. Haywood interposed and said that his client was responsible to the Company only with regard to payments for the electricity consumed.

Mr. Haywood contended that there was no case against the defendant unless the prosecution proved that the electricity was actually taken by him. The accused could not be held criminally responsible for any act committed by an agent or anyone else.

Evidence Called.

Mr. Armstrong argued that as the defendant was one of the men who was benefiting by the abstraction of electricity, the larceny must have taken place with his knowledge.

After considerable argument, during which the prosecution agreed that the meters had been tampered with, His Worship said that if Mr. Armstrong could prove guilty knowledge against the defendant the case had better be proceeded with.

Mr. Armstrong asked that they carry on with the case and called his evidence.

Mr. C. H. Miles, meter reading inspector, gave figures of the readings of the three meters installed in the defendant's premises and showed that the hands of all three meters had been pushed back, thus defrauding the Company of the current consumed.

Mr. G. R. Murray, manager of the Yaumati sub-station, testified to examining the meters taken from the defendant's restaurant finding them in perfect order.

The case was then adjourned till next Friday.

Electrician Charged.

An unemployed electrician, formerly engaged at the Tallow Dock, was charged with tampering with the meter of No. 34, Pilgrim Street, and in reply to the charge said that the lead seal was broken accidentally.

Sentence of one month's hard labour was imposed.

Mr. Armstrong said that the Company were inclined to take a serious view of the case. There were pending several other cases of the Company's meters having been tampered with. The defendant, after arrest, acted in a very suspicious manner. He was actually seen tampering with the meter and on being taken to the sub-station in a motor car he attempted to get rid of two pieces of metal.

When searched some fuse wire, bolts and screws were found in his possession. He told the Company that he had been carrying out certain repairs on the premises, but this was denied by the tenant.

The tenant of No. 43, Pilgrim Street, was called and said that the defendant had asked him what sum he was paying for his electricity. When told the amount of his monthly consumption, the defendant informed witness that his meter was not registering correctly and volunteered to repair the defect on payment of \$1.50.

After some argument it was agreed that the sum of 50 cents should be paid for the repair of the meter and it was while carrying out his repairs that the defendant was arrested.

Mr. Armstrong pointed out that being an electrician the defendant should have known that nobody except employees of the Company had any authority to tamper with the meters.

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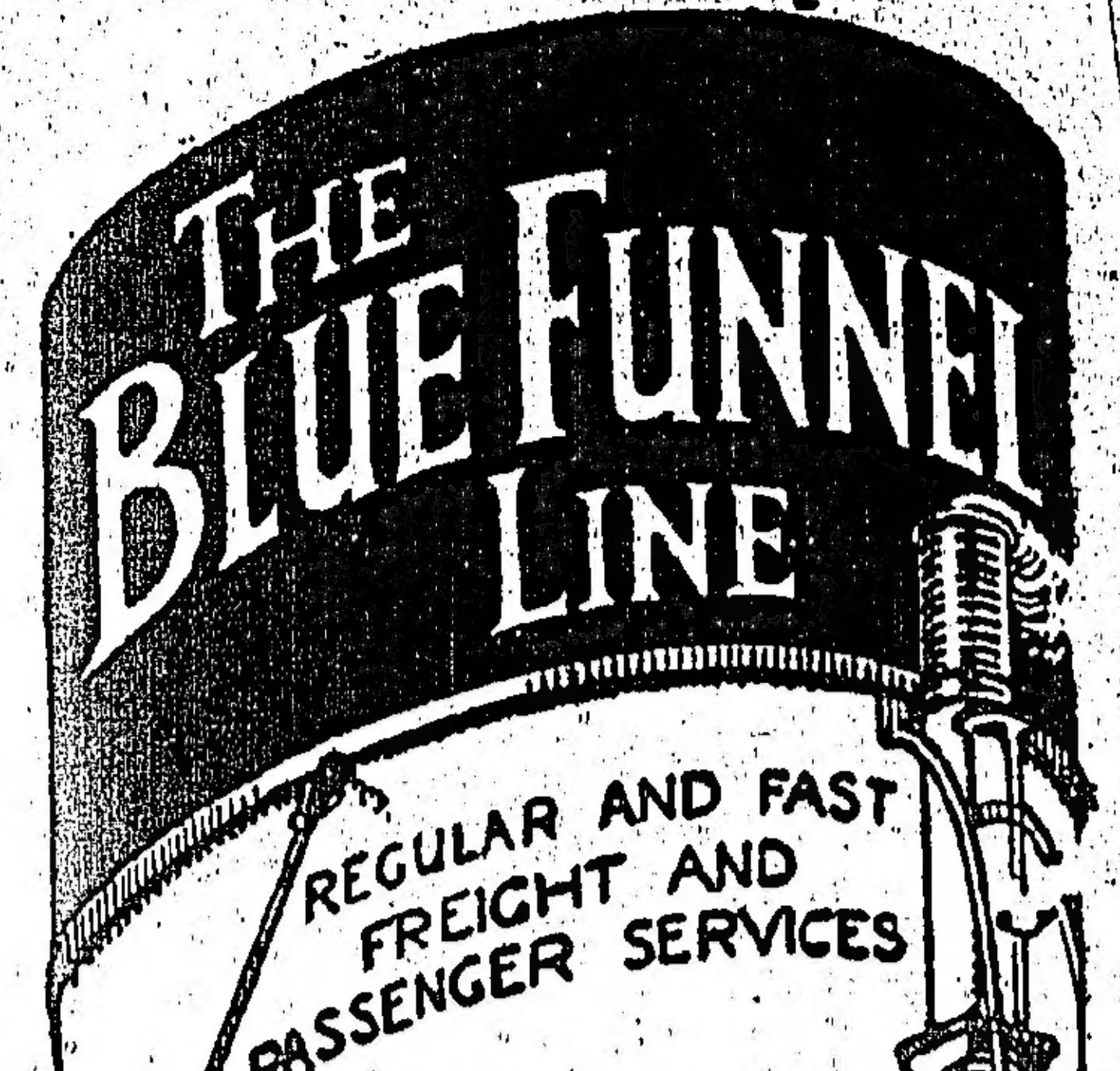
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LOCAL BROADCASTING.

A PROMISING SCHEME.

A comprehensive statement concerning the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee's scheme for local broadcasting was made by Mr. R. Sutherland at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Radio Society held at the South China Morning Post Building last evening. It was explained that transmission tests would shortly be made and that it was hoped to arrange in the future three or four concerts each week. These would include items by local artists, lectures, selections by various bands, and would in fact be modelled on the lines of Home broadcasting programmes. It was stated that the Committee hoped to equip not only military and naval hospitals and centres with receiving sets, but also other hospitals in the Colony. It was also intended to install receivers on warships in harbour and those in the Canton delta if the scheme progressed sufficiently.

Mr. Sutherland said that on looking through the annual report of the Society he was struck by the sentence which stated that the Society had not been striving to perfect a broadcasting organization, but to create interest in experimental work.

He was now in close touch with a scheme which he thought would work in with the Radio Society's activities. He thought it was only right that he should come forward and tell members of the Society what was afoot and what was most likely in store for them. He pointed out that he had mentioned the scheme for broadcasting to the troops at a previous committee meeting of the Radio Society when the question of the sale of the transmitter was under consideration, and said he would now like to explain what had occurred since that time.

Mr. Beal took over the Radio Society's transmitter at the end of March and in course of negotiations with Mr. Sutherland, representing the Y.M.C.A. Entertainment Committee, Mr. Beal was exceedingly generous in loaning the set to the Entertainment Committee an option on the set at something like one-third of its estimated value.

An Ambitious Scheme.

We have in view a rather ambitious scheme," continued Mr. Sutherland, "and one which I am sure will be appreciated not only by the troops now in Hongkong but by the general public. We have been fortunate in receiving the advice of experts who have given us the benefit of their highly technical knowledge. It is only after we have sized up the difficulties in our way that we now feel we are really on the threshold of something concrete."

Mr. Sutherland continued that the scheme provided for broadcasting to the troops and to all people who had receiving sets in the Colony probably three or four times each week. The programme would be arranged on similar lines to those transmitted from E.O. London. They would arrange to give items of news from Home, possibly cricket, football and racing news of a character likely to interest the troops. They also hoped to provide local news items.

With regard to the musical items which they hoped would be part of the programmes, he had been fortunate in getting promises from various bands. The scheme required a good deal of organization and could only be a success if there was the full co-operation of all interested in wireless.

On that occasion those listening could hear those before the microphone at the transmitting end as easily as if they had been in the same room. He had the thought at the back of his mind that if such results could be achieved six or seven years ago then with the hundred and one improvements which had been effected in radio since then made it conclusive to his mind that the present scheme could not fail.

Lamentably Behind.

The point arose that the troops now in Hongkong which had given the spur to the movement were only here for a certain length of time. It seemed to him, however, that if broadcasting could only be started some permanent interest might develop in the future. Hongkong seemed to be lamentably behind in radio matters. The Colony was still short of direction finding apparatus but, he thought everyone would agree it was a great pleasure to know that the Government had at last taken the matter in hand.

He expressed appreciation of the assistance given by Mr. King of the Electric Department who had given much valuable advice in connexion with the scheme.

Reverting to the question of programmes Mr. Sutherland said that the suggestion had been made that there should be a Chinese interest. This had been taken in hand and they proposed to have a Chinese evening occasionally. The programmes would be made up according to the requirements of the Colony generally.

GUNBOAT PIRATE.

FORTY OFFICERS AND MEN ON TRIAL.

Canton, July 7.

The naval authorities have now been able to get hold of forty of the sailors and officers of the gunboat Kongko which recently became a pirate on the West River and committed a number of piracies on mercantile vessels.

These prisoners have been detained in the Naval Office but they will be delivered to the Military Court of the Army Headquarters for examination.

General Li Chai-sum, the acting Commander-in-chief, has instructed the Naval Office and the Military Court to deal severely with those found guilty of connexion with the pirates.

able through the kindness of the Land Investment Company and Mr. Orchard had been giving most valuable services in connexion with the installation of the transmitter.

The position at the moment was that as a result of tests it had been found that certain new valves were necessary. These were being purchased in Shanghai and in about fortnight it was hoped to conduct a test along the lines which they hoped would be followed later on a bigger scale. Some delay had occurred in the last few months, adverse conditions being a prime factor but it was now hoped to progress more rapidly.

Receivers for Hospitals.

With regard to receiving sets it was proposed to install them in what might be called the temporary military depots, but they also hoped that other centres would be provided for. At the moment there were four temporary or permanent military hospitals in the Colony and it was proposed to install a receiving set in each of these.

Then there were six civilian hospitals where they thought programmes such as he had outlined would prove welcome and of benefit. Numerous hospitals had been equipped with receiving sets at Home and the concerts had proved a godsend to the patients.

In addition there were in Hongkong other military centres, three Y.M.C.A.s, the Seamen's Home, the Soldier's Club, the Naval Canteen, and the Sailors' Home. In the winter time there would be the troop camp in the New Territories.

The Navy had not been left out of their calculations and it was hoped to loan or provide receiving sets for the warships in harbour. A very important point was the flotilla on the Canton delta. He had been told by the men on the patrol boats that a band concert at night would be a very welcome diversion in what was really a lonely sort of life.

Optimistic Outlook.

He was not in any way blind to the fact that there might be disappointments in connexion with the scheme. They had met with a considerable amount of disappointment but at the same time with a certain amount of success.

He had been told by those with a very full knowledge of wireless that the difficulties in Hongkong were such that no scheme would ever be a success. With all the deference to that opinion he recalled that some six or seven years ago he was asked, together with other shipping representatives to present at a demonstration of wireless communication between Hongkong and Kowloon.

On that occasion those listening could hear those before the microphone at the transmitting end as easily as if they had been in the same room. He had the thought at the back of his mind that if such results could be achieved six or seven years ago then with the hundred and one improvements which had been effected in radio since then made it conclusive to his mind that the present scheme could not fail.

Financial assistance was required, then they hoped the Government would not turn a deaf ear.

It was intended to form two committees later. One would be a technical committee while the other would be responsible for programme arrangement. When the personnel of those committees came to be chosen he wanted to come to the Radio Society and ask their advice. He would then ask members to give the Entertainment Committee the full benefit of their experience.

Work of Entertainers.

As regards entertainers he had no hesitation in saying that if they were to take the generous work of those who were now providing the troops with concerts as a criterion they need not have any fear that there would be insufficient

